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Amendments to the Claims:

1. (Currently amended) A cosmetic hair care agent ~~either~~ comprising one or more pregelatinized, crosslinked starch derivatives and ~~cationic polymers or comprising one or more pregelatinized, crosslinked starch derivatives and nonionic, amphoteric and/or anionic polymers~~ polymers selected from the group consisting of cationic polymers and nonionic, amphoteric, or anionic polymers.

2. (Currently amended) The hair care agent as claimed in claim 1, ~~characterized in that wherein the one or more pregelatinized, crosslinked starch derivatives used are~~ include a hydroxypropylated starch phosphate esters.

3. (Currently amended) The hair care agent as claimed in ~~any of the preceding claims claim 1, characterized in that wherein the one or more pregelatinized, crosslinked starch derivatives used are~~ include a hydroxypropyl distarch phosphates ~~(CAS number 113894-92-1).~~

4. (Currently amended) The hair care agent as claimed in ~~any of the preceding claims claim 1, characterized in that wherein the cationic polymers used are~~ are selected from the group consisting of polymeric quaternized ammonium salts of hydroxyethylcellulose which has been modified with a trimethylammonium-substituted epoxide, depolymerized and subsequently quaternized guar gum derivatives, ~~and/or~~ quaternized guar derivatives.

5. (Currently amended) The hair care agent as claimed in ~~any of the preceding claims claim 1, characterized in that wherein the cationic polymers chosen are~~ include at least one ~~from the group of~~ cationic cellulose derivatives.

6. (Currently amended) The hair care agent as claimed in ~~any of the preceding claims claim 1, characterized in that the wherein the nonionic, amphoteric, and/or anionic~~

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polymers ~~used are~~ are selected from the group consisting of PVP/VA copolymers, anionic acrylate copolymers, and/or amphoteric amide/acrylate/methacrylate copolymers.

7. (Currently amended) The hair care agent as claimed in ~~any of the preceding~~ claims claim 6, characterized in that wherein the nonionic, amphoteric, and/or anionic polymers ~~chosen are include~~ include at least one ~~from the group of~~ PVP/VA copolymers.

8. (Currently amended) ~~The hair cleanser or the use as claimed in any of the preceding claims, characterized in that the nonionic, amphoteric and/or anionic surfactants used are~~ The hair care agent as claimed in claim 1, further comprising one or more surfactants, wherein the surfactants are selected from the group consisting of ~~ethoxylated and sulfated~~ fatty alcohols having ~~126 to 1422~~ carbon atoms and/or alkylamidopropylbetaine, ~~particularly preferably sodium myristyl ether sulfate, sodium lauryl ether sulfate, cocoamidopropylbetaine, disodium PEG-5 lauryl citrate sulfosuccinate and sodium cocoamphoacetate.~~

9. (Currently amended) The hair care agent as claimed in ~~at least one of the preceding claims claim 1, characterized in that wherein~~ the total content of polymers is 0.1 to 3% by weight, ~~particularly preferably 0.2 to 1.5% by weight, based on the total weight of the preparation~~ haircare agent.

10. (Currently amended) The hair care agent as claimed in ~~any of the preceding claims claim 1, characterized in that further comprising one or more additional components selected from the group consisting of~~ surfactants, and/or cosmetic or dermatological auxiliaries, additives, and/or active ingredients ~~are additionally present~~.

11. (New) The hair care agent as claimed in claim 8, wherein the one or more surfactants are selected from the group consisting of sodium myristyl ether sulfate, sodium lauryl ether sulfate, cocoamidopropylbetaine, disodium PEG-5 lauryl citrate sulfosuccinate, and sodium cocoamphoacetate.

12. (New) The hair care agent as claimed in claim 9, wherein the total content of polymers is 0.2 to 1.5% by weight based on the total weight of the haircare agent.

13. (New) The hair care agent as claimed in claim 1, wherein the content of pregelatinized, crosslinked starch derivatives is 20 to 99.9% by weight based on the total content of polymers.

14. (New) A cosmetic or dermatological preparation comprising a hair care agent as claimed in claim 1.

15. (New) A cosmetic hair care agent comprising one or more pregelatinized, crosslinked starch derivatives and one or more polymeric materials selected from the group consisting of:

- quaternized ammonium salts of hydroxyethylcellulose which is modified with a trimethylammonium-substituted epoxide;
- depolymerized guar gum derivatives which have been quaternized;
- quaternized guar gum derivatives;
- nonionic PVP/VA copolymers;
- anionic acrylate copolymers; and
- amphoteric amide/acrylate/methacrylate copolymers.

16. (New) The hair care agent as claimed in claim 15, wherein the one or more pregelatinized, crosslinked starch derivatives include a hydroxypropylated starch phosphate ester.

17. (New) The hair care agent as claimed in claim 16, wherein the one or more pregelatinized, crosslinked starch derivatives include hydroxypropyl distarch phosphate.